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William F. Caton, Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
TW-B204  
Washington, D.C. 20554

***Re:   Thousand Block Number Pooling; Local Number Portability;  
      CC Docket No. 99-200; WT Docket 01-184***

Dear Secretary Caton:

In response to an inquiry regarding a CTIA document addressing the Thousand Block Number Pooling implementation timeline, two reports are attached for your review. The first report is a draft document developed by wireless carriers to forecast initial porting volumes when the industry begins Thousands-Block Number Pooling in approximately 160 NPAs by November 24, 2002. It is important to note that this document was submitted as a draft contribution to the NANC Wireless Number Portability Subcommittee ("WNPSC") for further industry consideration. The CTIA draft document was developed with a set of assumptions prior to the introduction of the concept of "Native Block Pooling" (NBP). The NBP concept was subsequently introduced by the Pooling Administrator in the newly formed NANC Wireless Pooling Task Force ("WPTF").

The output from the WPTF resulted in Version 1.7 of the Native Block Pooling Proposal ("NBP"), introduced to the NANC on January 15, 2002. Concepts contained in Version 1.7 represents a consensus perspective from the wireless industry and the National Thousand Block Pooling Administrator. Furthermore, Version 1.7 of the NBP report is the operative document for identifying the wireless timeline for Thousands-Block Number Pooling.





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Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, an original and one copy of this letter and its attachments are being filed with your office. If you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Director of Numbering Issues

cc: Pat Foster

